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C O N F I D E N T I A L NAIROBI 13024

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TAGS: MILI, US, KE

SUBJECT: KENYA FLY-BY

REF: (A) STATE 285071 (192233Z NOV 76), (B) NAIROBI 12957  
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1. DCM PRESSED DEFENSE MINISTRY PERMSEC KIEREINI NOVEMBER 22 TO  
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AGREE TO ADVANCE ANNOUNCEMENT OF FLY-BY TO DECEMBER 3 AS

RECOMMENDED REFTEL A. HOWEVER, KIEREINI REMAINS EXTREMELY RELUCTANT TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT THIS FAR IN ADVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY AS GOK OFFICIALS FEEL THIS COULD GIVE PRESIDENT AMIN AMPLE TIME IN WHICH TO REACT IN SOME ADVERSE FASHION. IN ADDITION, HE SAID GOK STRONGLY PREFERS TO ANNOUNCE ALL ELEMENTS OF DECEMBER 12 DAY PROGRAM ON DECEMBER 8, INCLUDING U.S. FLY-BY, AS THIS WOULD AVOID SIGNALING HIGHER DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR FLY-BY THAN INTENDED BY EITHER USG OR GOK.

2. IF STATE AND DEFENSE CONTINUE TO FEEL THAT VISABILITY OF AIRCRAFT ON BOARD GUAM DURING SUEZ PASSAGE NECESSITATES ANNOUNCEMENT AT THAT TIME, WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING GIVEN RATIONALE WHICH WOULD HELP KIEREINI TO CONVINCE OTHER GOK OFFICIALS OF NEED FOR EARLIER ANNOUNCEMENT. RATIONALE SHOULD INDICATE WHY VISIBILITY OF AIRCRAFT ON BOARD USS GUAM LIKELY TO CREATE PROBLEMS WHICH VISIBILITY OF AIRCRAFT ON BOARD PACFLT SHIPS ENTERING INDIAN OCEAN DOES NOT CREATE (OR WHICH WE CHOOSE TO IGNORE. IT IS OUR IMPRESSION THAT WE USUALLY TAKE POSITION OF NOT COMMENTING ON MISSION OR DISCLOSING SPECIFIC DESTINATIONS OF PACFLT SHIPS WHEN THEY ENTER INDIAN OCEAN.  
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